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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket Number USCG-2014-0089]

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Special Local Regulation; Stuart Sailfish Regatta, Indian River; Stuart, FL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard proposes to establish a special local regulation on the Indian River located northeast of Ernest F.

Lyons Bridge and south of Joes Cove, in Stuart, Florida during the Stuart Sailfish Regatta, a series of high-speed boat races.

The Stuart Sailfish Regatta will take place from May 16 through May 18, 2014. Approximately 120 high-speed power boats will be participating in the event. It is anticipated that at least 100 spectator vessels will be present during the event. This special local regulation is necessary for the safety of race participants, participant vessels, spectators and the general public during the event. The special local regulation will establish the following three areas: (1) a race area, where all persons and vessels, except those participating in the high-speed

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boat races, are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within; (2) a buffer zone around the race area, where all persons and vessels, except those persons and vessels enforcing the buffer zone, or authorized participants or vessels transiting to the race area, are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within; and (3) a spectator area, where all persons are prohibited from entering the water or swimming in the designated area.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. Requests for public meetings must be received by the Coast Guard on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number using any one of the following methods:

- (1) Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.
 - (2) Fax: 202-493-2251.
- (3) Mail or Delivery: Docket Management Facility (M-30),
 U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor,
 Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 205900001. Deliveries accepted between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday
 through Friday, except federal holidays. The telephone number is
 202-366-9329.

See the "Public Participation and Request for Comments" portion of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below for further instructions on submitting comments. To avoid duplication, please use only one of these three methods. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or e-mail Petty Officer John K. Jennings, Sector Miami Prevention Department, Coast Guard; telephone (305) 535-4317, e-mail John.K.Jennings@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Cheryl Collins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone (202) 366-9826.

Table of Acronyms

DHS Department of Homeland Security

FR Federal Register

NPRM Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

A. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related materials. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided.

1. Submitting comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this rulemaking, indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments

and material online at http://www.regulations.gov, or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. If you submit a comment online, it will be considered received by the Coast Guard when you successfully transmit the comment. If you fax, hand deliver, or mail your comment, it will be considered as having been received by the Coast Guard when it is received at the Docket Management Facility. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an e-mail address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to

http://www.regulations.gov, type the docket number (USCG-20140089) in the "SEARCH" box and click "SEARCH." Click on "Submit a
Comment" on the line associated with this rulemaking.

If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit comments by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period and may change the rule based on your comments.

2. Viewing comments and documents

To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov, type the docket number (USCG-2014-0089) in the "SEARCH" box and click "SEARCH." Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this rulemaking. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

3. Privacy Act

Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the Federal Register (73 FR 3316).

4. Public meeting

We do not now plan to hold a public meeting. But you may submit a request for one, using one of the methods specified under ADDRESSES. Please explain why you believe a public meeting would be beneficial. If we determine that one would aid this rulemaking, we will hold one at a time and place announced by a later notice in the <u>Federal Register</u>.

B. Regulatory History and Information

Previously, a temporary special local regulation regarding this marine event was published in the Code of Federal Regulations at 33 CFR 100 (see 78 FR 18475). No final rule has been published in regards to this marine event. The proposed special local regulation is not new in its entirety, but merely reflects updates to certain details of the event.

C. Basis and Purpose

The legal basis for the rule is the Coast Guard's authority to establish special local regulations: 33 U.S.C. 1233.

The purpose of the rule is to provide for the safety of life on the navigable waters of the United States during the Stuart Sailfish Regatta.

D. Discussion of Proposed Rule

From May 16 through May 18, 2014, Stuart Sailfish Regatta,
Inc. will be hosting the Stuart Sailfish Regatta, a series of
high-speed boat races. The races will be held on the Indian River
located northeast of Ernest F. Lyons Bridge and south of Joes
Cove, in Stuart, Florida. Approximately 120 high-speed power
boats will be participating in the event. It is anticipated that
at least 100 spectator vessels will be present during the event.

The proposed rule will establish a special local regulation that will encompass certain navigable waters of the Indian River located northeast of Ernest F. Lyons Bridge and south of Joes

Cove, in Stuart, Florida. The special local regulation will be enforced daily from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. from May 16 through May 18, 2014. The special local regulation will consist of the following three areas: (1) a race area, where all persons and vessels, except those participating in the high-speed boat races, are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within; (2) a buffer zone around the race area, where all persons and vessels, except those persons and vessels enforcing the buffer zone, or authorized participants or vessels transiting to the race area, are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within; and (3) a spectator area, where all persons are prohibited from entering the water or swimming in the designated area.

Persons and vessels may request authorization to enter the special local regulated area by contacting the Captain of the Port Miami by telephone at 305-535-4472, or a designated representative via VHF radio on channel 16, to request authorization. If authorization to enter, transit through, anchor in, or remain within the special local regulated area is granted by the Captain of the Port Miami or a designated representative, all persons and vessels receiving such authorization must comply with the instructions of the Captain of the Port Miami or a designated representative.

E. Regulatory Analyses

We developed this proposed rule after considering numerous statutes and executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on a number of these statutes or executive orders.

1. Regulatory Planning and Review

This proposed rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, as supplemented by Executive Order 13563, Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of Executive Order 12866 or under section 1 of Executive Order 13563. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under those Orders. The economic impact of this proposed rule is not significant for the following reasons: (1) this special local regulation will be enforced for nine hours a day for three days; (2) non-participant persons and vessels may enter, transit through, anchor in, or remain within the regulated area during their respective enforcement periods if authorized by the Captain of the Port Miami or a designated representative; (3) nonparticipant persons and vessels not able to enter, transit through, anchor in, or remain within the regulated areas without authorization from the Captain of the Port Miami or a designated representative may operate in the surrounding areas during the respective enforcement periods; and (4) the Coast Guard will

provide advance notification of the special local regulation to the local maritime community by Local Notice to Mariners and Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

2. Impact on Small Entities

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA), 5 U.S.C. 601-612, as amended, requires federal agencies to consider the potential impact of regulations on small entities during rulemaking. The term "small entities" comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000. The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This rule may affect the following entities, some of which may be small entities: the owners or operators of vessels intending to enter, transit through, anchor in, or remain within any of the regulated area during the respective enforcement periods. For the reasons discussed in the Regulatory Planning and Review section above, this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. If you think that your business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction qualifies as a small entity and that this rule would have a significant economic impact on it, please submit a comment (see ADDRESSES)

explaining why you think it qualifies and how and to what degree this rule would economically affect it.

3. Assistance for Small Entities

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory

Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-121), we want to assist small entities in understanding this proposed rule. If the rule would affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions concerning its provisions or options for compliance, please contact the person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section above.

The Coast Guard will not retaliate against small entities that question or complain about this proposed rule or any policy or action of the Coast Guard.

4. Collection of Information

This proposed rule will not call for a new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.).

5. Federalism

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, if it has a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. We have analyzed this proposed rule under that Order and determined that this rule does

not have implications for federalism.

6. Protest Activities

The Coast Guard respects the First Amendment rights of protesters. Protesters are asked to contact the person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section to coordinate protest activities so that your message can be received without jeopardizing the safety or security of people, places or vessels.

7. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531-1538) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$100,000,000 (adjusted for inflation) or more in any one year. Though this proposed rule would not result in such an expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

8. Taking of Private Property

This proposed rule would not cause a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights.

9. Civil Justice Reform

This proposed rule meets applicable standards in sections

3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform, to minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden.

10. Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks

We have analyzed this proposed rule under Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks. This rule is not an economically significant rule and would not create an environmental risk to health or risk to safety that might disproportionately affect children.

11. Indian Tribal Governments

This proposed rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it would not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes.

12. Energy Effects

This proposed rule is not a "significant energy action" under Executive Order 13211, Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use.

13. Technical Standards

This proposed rule does not use technical standards.

Therefore, we did not consider the use of voluntary consensus standards.

14. Environment

We have analyzed this proposed rule under Department of Homeland Security Management Directive 023-01 and Commandant Instruction M16475.1D, which quide the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321-4370f). The Coast Guard previously completed an environmental assessment for this event and regulation in 2012, as well as conducted a supplemental environmental assessment in 2013. The event and regulation for the 2012 and 2013 occurrences are similar in all aspects to this year's event and regulation; therefore the same environmental assessment and supplemental environmental assessment are being referenced for this year's event and regulation. The environmental assessment is available in the docket folder for USCG-2012-0150 at www.regulations.gov. This proposed rule involves establishing a special local regulation that will be enforced from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily May 16 through 18 2014. This rule is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph 34(h) of Figure 2-1 of the Commandant Instruction. We seek any comments or information that may lead to the discovery of a significant environmental impact from this proposed rule.

F. List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard proposes to amend 33 CFR part 100 as follows:

PART 100--SAFETY OF LIFE ON NAVIGABLE WATERS

1. The authority citation for part 100 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1233.

2. Add a temporary 33 CFR 100.35T07-0089 to read as follows:

§ 100.35T07-0089 Special Local Regulation; Stuart Sailfish Regatta, Indian River, Stuart, FL.

- (a) <u>Regulated Areas.</u> The following regulated area is established as a special local regulation. All coordinates are North American Datum 1983.
- (1) Race Area. All waters of Indian River located northeast of Ernest Lyons Bridge and south of Joes Cove that are encompassed within the following points: starting at Point 1 in position 27°12'46"N, 80°11'09"W; thence southeast to Point 2 in position 27°12'41"N, 80°11'08"W; thence southwest to Point 3 in position 27°12'37"N, 80°11'11"W; thence southwest to Point 4 in position 27°12'33"N, 80°11'18"W; thence southwest to Point 5 in position 27°12'31"N, 80°11'23"W; thence west to Point 6 in position 27°12'31"N, 80°11'27"W; thence northwest to Point 7 in position 27°12'33"N, 80°11'31"W; thence northwest to Point 8 in position 27°12'38"N, 80°11'31"W; thence northwest to Point 9 in

position 27°12'42"N, 80°11'30"W; thence northeast to Point 10 in position 27°12'46"N, 80°11'26"W; thence northeast to Point 11 in position 27°12'48"N, 80°11'20"W; thence east to Point 12 in position 27°12'48"N, 80°11'15"W; thence southeast back to origin. All persons and vessels, except those persons and vessels participating in the high-speed boat races, are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within the race area.

- (2) Buffer Zone. All waters of Indian River located northeast of Ernest Lyons Bridge and south of Joes Cove that are encompassed within the following points: starting at Point 1 in position 27°12'47"N, 80°11'43"W; thence southeast to Point 2 in position 27°12'22"N, 80°11'28"W; thence northeast to Point 3 in position 27°12'35"N, 80°11'00"W; thence northwest to Point 4 in position 27°12'47"N, 80°11'04"W; thence northeast to Point 5 in position 27°13'05"N, 80°11'01"W; thence southeast back to origin. All persons and vessels, except those persons and vessels enforcing the buffer zone, or authorized participants or vessels transiting to the race area, are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within the buffer zone.
- (3) Spectator Area. All waters of Indian River located northeast of Ernest Lyons Bridge and south of Joes Cove that are encompassed within the following points: starting at Point 1 in

position 27°12'48"N, 80°11'43"W; thence northeast to Point 2 in position 27°12'55"N, 80°11'26"W; thence southeast to Point 3 in position 27°12'52"N, 80°11'24"W; thence southwest to Point 4 in position 27°12'40"N, 80°11'39"W; thence northwest back to origin. All persons are prohibited from entering the water or swimming in the spectator area.

(b) <u>Definition</u>. The term "designated representative" means Coast Guard Patrol Commanders, including Coast Guard coxswains, petty officers, and other officers operating Coast Guard vessels, and Federal, state, and local officers designated by or assisting the Captain of the Port Miami in the enforcement of the regulated areas.

(c) Regulations.

(1) Non-participant persons and vessels are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within the race area and/or buffer zone of the special local regulated area unless authorized by Captain of the Port Miami or a designated representative. All persons are prohibited from entering the water or swimming in the spectator area. Non-participant persons and vessels may request authorization to enter, transit through, anchor in, or remain within the race area

and/or buffer zone of the special local regulated area by contacting the Captain of the Port Miami by telephone at 305-535-4472, or a designated representative via VHF radio on channel 16. If authorization is granted by the Captain of the Port Miami or a designated representative, all persons and vessels receiving such authorization must comply with the instructions of the Captain of

(2) The Coast Guard will provide notice of the special local regulation by Local Notice to Mariners, Broadcast Notice to Mariners, and on-scene designated representatives.

the Port Miami or a designated representative.

(d) <u>Effective Date</u>. This rule will be enforced from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily from May 16, 2014 through May 18, 2014.

Dated: March 5, 2014

A. J. Gould Captain, U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port Miami

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